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1. MEMBERSHIP

a. Any professional member of the editorial staffs of the numismatic press, including columnists of the daily, weekly or monthly and quarterly newspapers, journals or magazines (and including authors of numismatic books) are eligible for membership in the N.L.G. Membership is also open to numismatic curators of recognized museums.

b. Any numismatic writer whose by-line appears regularly (at least four times a year) as an editorial writer, researcher, etc. in any nationally published and distributed numismatic trade paper, magazine or journal, is eligible for membership in N.L.G. The status of such trade papers with regards to the advancement of basic numismatic knowledge shall rest with the Board of Directors.

c. A membership committee appointed by the Board of Directors shall screen all membership applications which shall be proposed by any member in good standing and accompanied with a letter of recommendation, completed application form and appropriate membership fee plus the annual dues which shall be applied upon nominee's acceptance. Substantiating credentials shall have commenced six months prior to any such application for membership.

2. TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

a. Charter — All original members of the year 1968.

b. Regular — All members accepted following the year 1968.

c. Honorary — Those so elected by unanimous vote of the Directors prior to 1975, after which year, only those proposed whose qualifications include: a continuing educational contribution to numismatics through his writings over a minimum period of 25 years.

3. MEMBERSHIP FEE AND ANNUAL DUES

The membership fee of $20.00 shall accompany the application for admittance and/or consideration for membership.

The annual dues (adopted, 1974) shall be $5.00 and is payable with: a. Original application for membership and/or January 1st of each year upon receipt of the annual dues notice issued by the Secretary-Treasurer. Failure to comply by March 15th of the current year will result in suspension. Suspension and/or expulsion from membership by action of the Board of Directors can be effected against any member who has been accused and/or convicted of conduct involving moral turpitude or any conduct considered detrimental to the Numismatic Literary Guild or any of its members.

4. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS
Method of election and terms. (Adopted, 1975)

a. The Board of Directors shall be composed of five members elected by the membership. Nominations by the members shall be submitted annually to the Newsletter Editor and the minimum number of nominations acceptable for qualification for placement on the ballot shall be five (5).

The term of the directors shall be two years and any

or all may be re-elected for an additional two year term. Former officers or directors, following a two-year interim may be eligible for re-election.

The staff, which shall consist of; Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor shall be appointed by the elected directors and shall serve at their discretion.

5. COMMITTEES

All committees as shall be deemed necessary to properly carry out the functions of the Guild shall be appointed by the Executive Director.

6. ACTIVITIES OF THE GUILD

a. Annual Meeting to be held each year during the course of the American Numismatic Association Convention.

b. Board of Directors meetings as shall be deemed necessary by the executive director or at the request of the directors.

7. AWARDS

a. "The Clemmy Award," established by the Guild in 1968 and presented each year on the basis of: Member, in good standing (including any Board member or Officer), his or her outstanding numismatic literary contribution or service to the Guild. The method of selection for this award shall be determined by the following procedures

1. Each elected director shall nominate three names and these three nominees proposed shall be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer who will, in turn, tabulate the three highest vote-getting nominees.

Following this procedure, the Secretary-Treasurer shall forward to the previous year winner, the names of the three finalists for his consideration and selection of the single finalist, and report this directly back to the Secretary-Treasurer on or before July 10th of each year.

b. Annual Writers' Awards: by the Numismatic Guild
Each year the Newsletter Editor will poll the entire membership with the names of all nominees proposed for honors as "Best Columnist," "Best Staff Writer," "Best Contributing Writer," and any other category he shall deem deserving as selected or proposed by the editors of all recognized numismatic publications as defined in Article 1, a and b.

8. ADDITIONAL AWARDS MADE THROUGH THE NUMISMATIC LITERARY GUILD

a. The Medallic Art Company Awards to the top writers in the non-numismatic press whose coin columns or stories have been submitted to an outstanding committee as named by our Guild. These awards (three in total), shall be presented at the N.L.G. annual Meeting and are given to the winners in three categories — newspapers having:
   1. Circulation of under 100,000.
   2. Circulation over 100,000, and
   3. Syndicated columnists.

   The award is titled "The Maurice M. Gould Award."

b. Krause Publications, Inc. Award, donated by this numismatic publishing house on an annual basis at our annual meeting and has been titled, "The Lee F. Hewitt Award," for excellence in writing on United States numismatics.

9. PUBLICATIONS

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